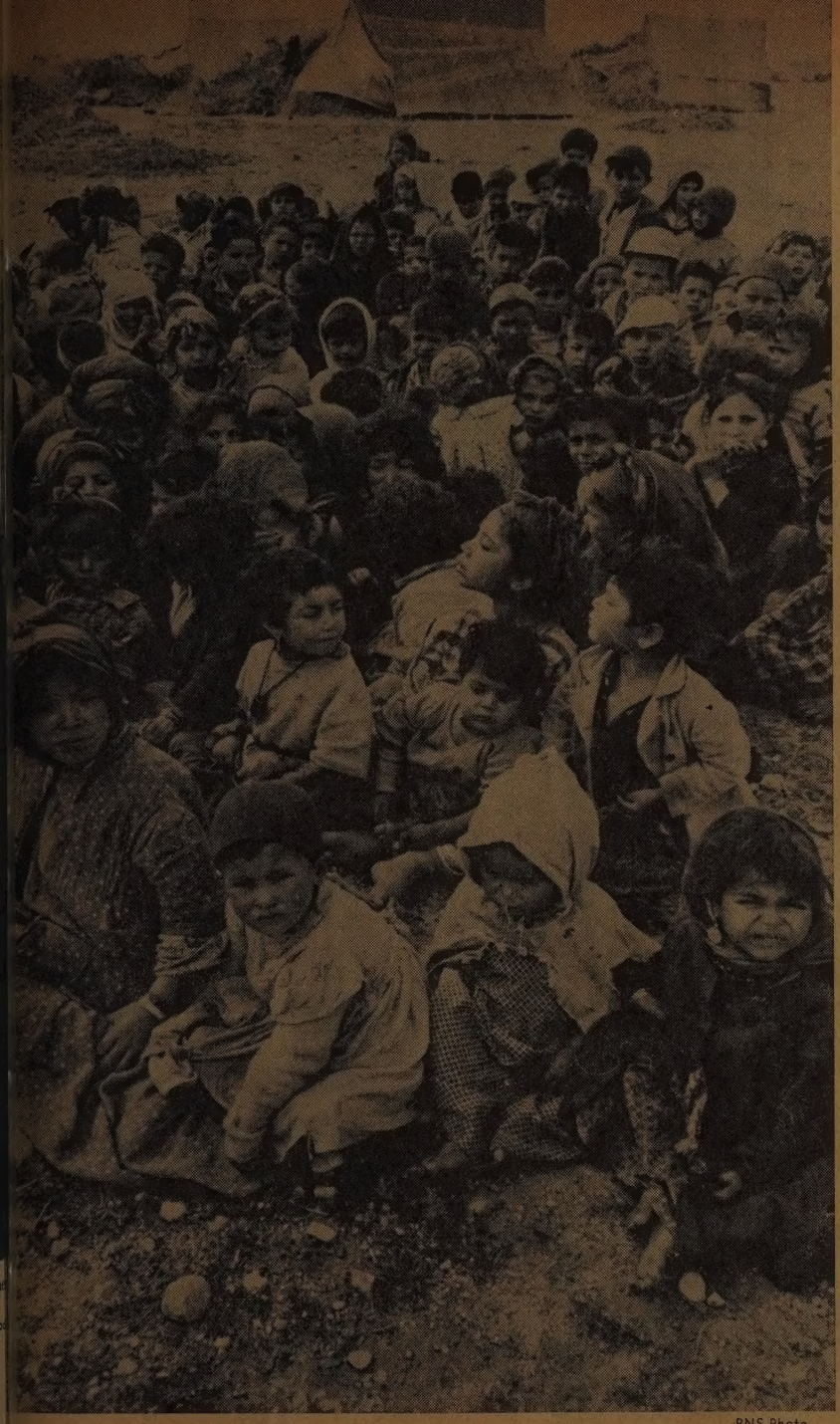

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Many of the world's children have never known any other home than a refugee camp . . .

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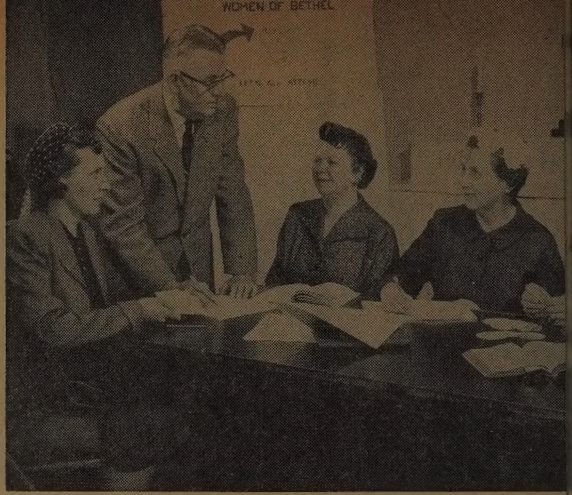
In Union There is Strength



Paul Schroeder, organiz chairman of the Bethel C Council, is shown plannin Women of the Church pr with some of the lay leade

By Wallace Wikoff

As an outsider I'm thoroughly amazed at what is going on at Bethel Lutheran Church in Madison, Wis.

Members of this church, the largest in our city of 100,000 seem to take all of their developments in stride. Characteristically, too, they feel their growing congregation can't do justice to God and their membership if they allow their church to become slipshod in its organizational planning.

Take, for example, one of the newest developments of the congregation—what they call the "Women of the Church."

The theory behind this provocative title is as old as the church itself, but Bethel, like other churches, is anxious to bring up to date the thinking and planning of its activities, organizations, and projects.

Leaders and members of Bethel made a study of their church and came to the conclusion that the energies of the women were being dissipated in several directions. There were several organizations which had grown up through the years, and no over-all planning was being done. Besides that, many of the women of the churc no part in any of the activities. Only a small perce were really active.

Under the leadership of the church council and plans were laid to combine all women's activitie one co-ordinated program and still leave plenty of for individual planning and initiative.

The turnout at the charter meeting in April Women of the Church overwhelmed even the mo timistic of the planners. More than 850 women ca the two sessions held in one day. Because of the li size of the fellowship hall and because some w were unable to attend a daytime meeting, both an noon and evening session were held.

Men of the church got into the act, too, by volu ing to serve the food at the two meetings. The w were treated to a musical program and then hear purpose of the new organizational set-up explained ticularly by their pastor, Dr. Morris Wee.

But let's go back and look at the "why" of

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nent before we look to future plans of this united
of women determined to serve their church.
rly two years of planning were represented by that
ng of 850 persons (and the potential is greater for
are approximately 2,000 women who could be en-
into service in the congregation).
nel's staff includes three pastors—The Rev. Morris
senior pastor; The Rev. Harley Swiggum, assistant
; and The Rev. Joseph E. Lee, visitation pastor.
nel also has a full-time business and finance director
lther Thompson, a retired Madison police official.
a few years ago Mrs. Nora Grandy joined the staff
ector of congregational activities. It was, and is,
Grandy's job and joy to work with the various
s within the church and to offer help whenever
ary.
t year Bethel doubled the size of its kitchen, re-
l all former fixtures with modern stainless steel
ment, and extended the wall area to give more
throughout. After that improvement the church
d a full-time kitchen director.
us, the stage was set to put into practice what many
oped for, had jotted down on paper as "projects for
ture," and had been talking up among members.
in many churches that have a long history (Bethel
years old), there were some women's groups that
et their purpose get out of focus because of their
of working together.
the same time, the congregation was growing
ly and new members were eager for a chance to
an active part in the church. They wanted to
;," not just join a group.
e answer was "Women of The Church." Through
lan the existing organizations keep their identity
re co-ordinated into one well-organized, united
of women under one board of directors, who can
ideas, aid each other in projects, and thus be of
greater service to God.
eral colored stones, scattered about the sand, have
vely little significance until an artist comes along
oins them into a beautiful mosaic that, by its pat-
is instantly discernible. Such a project, it is hoped,
e "Women of The Church" at Bethel.
e all-important pieces were welded together into a
n of infinite significance and strength. That April
ng of 850 persons was an initial success that augers
for the future.
September a nominating committee will propose
e of officers. At least one person from each women's
ization will be there. Bethel's women's groups in-
the Ladies Aid, Guild, Beth Keyes, Young Adults,
Altar Choir.

Robert Zimmerman, Wisconsin's secretary of state, enjoyed serving at the initial meeting of Women of The Church this year

This elected body will guide the superstructure known as Women of The Church—and one is tempted to recall the famed advertising slogan: "Never Underestimate the Power of a Woman," which can be as meaningful in church work as in the household.

But, by the same token, never rule out the influence of the men.

The Bethel Church Council's organization chairman, Paul Schroeder, a busy Madison banker, worked many hours with Dr Wee and others in setting up the Women of the Church plans

The church's service club, relatively new, will draw upon the Christian spirit of the men as well as the women. This club has one purpose: its members stand ready to help in Fellowship Hall when banquets, luncheons, etc., are served. The kitchen director will have a list of volunteers on which to call at all times.

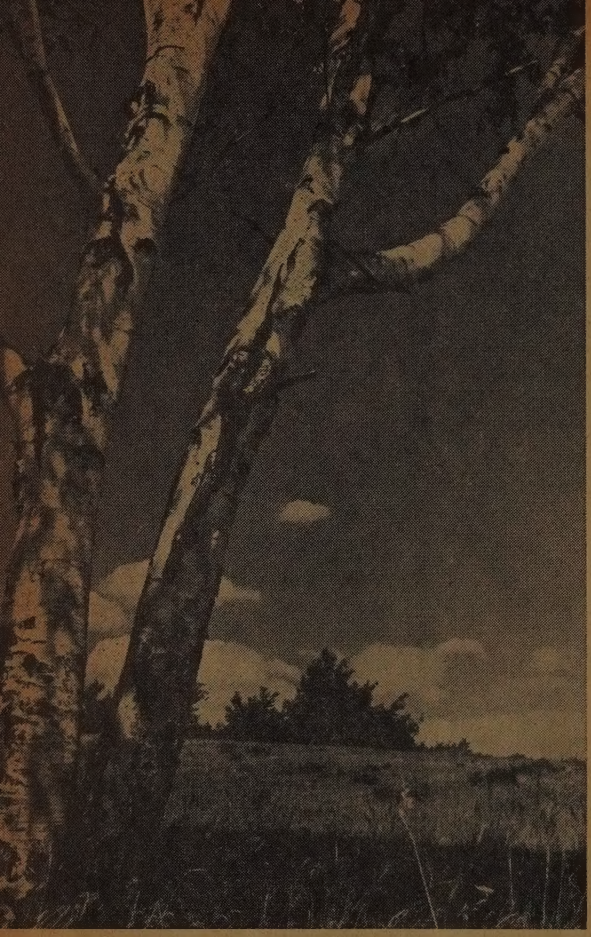
Bethel's large Fellowship Hall is used on an average of four times a week, usually with food involved. By necessity, the planning must be as practical as possible, for nothing discourages a potentially good church worker like a disorganized dinner meeting.

Women of the Church have many plans, incorporating the established projects of individual groups and adding new ones. One soon to open is what will be known as the Bethel Parish Shop. It will be set up in a red-brick building which was formerly used as a Sunday school building. Here women volunteers will sell clothing, dishes, antiques, and other items brought into the shop.

Plans are still to be drawn up, but the possibilities of a united women's group are limitless, keeping uppermost the service to God and the church.

Bethel is a congregation of 6,000 souls. Will such an organization work as well in a smaller church? The flexibility is obvious. The strength is in a united effort toward one goal rather than a collection of groups that could work at cross purposes or become stagnant by not attracting new membership.

Bethel feels it has found the answer and the women are eager to prove the church is right.



still the world goes on

Still the world goes on
And I wonder why—
The sun, the moon, the stars yet shine
In the same old way,
While ruthless fate
With relentless hand
Holds me to the road
Of the Usual Land;
But an angel wing
Seems to touch my cheek
As to comfort me.
Then it seems not so hard
That the world goes on.

The author of this poetry, ANNE THARALDSON FREAR, of Minnetonka Mills, has been a member of Central Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, since 1927. At one time, she was corresponding secretary and publicity chairman of the Woman's Guild. She and her mother, Mrs. Dora Tharaldson, were active members until six years ago.

For the past six years, Mrs. Frear has been a shut-in, due to two strokes, a broken hip, a broken wrist, and other illness. She maintains a beautiful spirit, renewed each day by her faith in her God. She hopes to be able to walk again, and to use her right hand.

Thoughts come to her in her sleepless nights—poetry which she remembers until morning when it is written for her.

RECOMPENSE

I cannot pluck a flower from its stem but I can see its beauty in bouquet, and smell its fragrance; I cannot walk carefree among the trees but I can hear their murmur, feel their protection; I cannot mingle with the laughing crowds but I can comfort find in their existence, and so have rest; I cannot go from room to room arranging joyfully small treasures, but I have books to read; at times I cannot seem to feel a surcease from frustration, but I can know the tender power of Thy mercy which gives me recompense, elation.

The Homeless Man

Most likely you will be sitting in the comfort and security of your home when you read this issue of LUTHERAN HERALD. While you and I enjoy our homes, millions of people in other parts of the world are without a home. This is the decade of the homeless man, the refugee.

Lutherans are well acquainted with the refugee problem, for many of our brethren in Central and Northern Europe were made homeless by World War II and the events that have followed. Through the National Lutheran Council and the Lutheran World Federation, we have co-operated to provide new homes for thousands of these people. But the number in other parts of the world who remain homeless runs into the millions. The very size of the problem requires the interest and attention of governments and all voluntary agencies. This fact has moved the United Nations General Assembly to seek to focus world-wide attention on the plight of the refugees and to encourage governments and voluntary agencies to provide increased assistance. As a help to this end, the general Assembly declared June, 1959-May, 1960, as *World Refugee Year.*

The National Lutheran Council and the Lutheran World Federation have, by resolution, endorsed the aim envisioned in World Refugee Year. And the presidents of the World Council of Churches under date of June 28 released the following message to its member Churches:

"We are convinced that in our day and generation our greatest human tragedy is that of the refugee—homeless people all around the world.

"The refugee and his family have, for more than a decade, been a challenge to our confession and compassion and must be a first call on the ministry of those whose Lord 'had nowhere to lay his head.'

"We believe that, within the limit of our resources, the World Council of Churches has answered this call unremittingly and consistently, and we express our gratitude to our member Churches who have made this possible.

"Our ministry has not been motivated because all the refugees belong to our member Churches —indeed most of them do not. We do it because Christ compels us. We have not, however, always been satisfied that the governments of the free world have been as constant in their concern for a problem which is not only one of human tragedy but, unremedied, is a continuing threat to peace and security. For this very reason we welcome with cordiality and renewed hope the decision of the United Nations to proclaim World Refugee Year.

"Our Executive Committee, meeting in February, adopted the following resolution which we commend to your attention:

"The Executive Committee of the World Council of Churches

"Noting with satisfaction that 59 governments, members of the United Nations, 'convinced of the need to make a further world-wide effort to help resolve the world refugee problem,' have resolved to declare a World Refugee Year to begin in June, 1959,

"Reaffirming the ongoing and permanent concern of the World Council of Churches for homeless people, whoever they are and wherever they are,

"Welcomes most cordially the decision of the United Nations to proclaim such a year in the hope that all governments supporting the resolution will take some positive action to validate their votes,

"Affirms that the World Council of Churches, in addition to its permanent service will do all in its power to co-operate in any constructive initiative taken by governments to solve the problem of refugees,

"Emphasizes to governments and all concerned that there are so many refugees, and such difficult situations, that their problems simply cannot be solved in one year, yet earnestly hopes that the problems of many more may be solved in this year than in any previous year, and that the World Refugee Year may result in far greater attention to their needs in the years to follow,

"Prays God's blessing on this initiative.

"The time has now come for our Churches to act in this new initiative and we therefore call anew for your prayers, your intensified action and your continuous charity."

FREDRIK A. SCHIOTZ
President, ELC

The Deadly Sins:

Acedia (Sloth

Poverty of Love

The sins of Pride, Envy, and Ire are all, according to Dante, twistings of love: the proud loves himself more than anyone on heaven or earth; the envious loves himself to the point of hating anything threatening his self-esteem; the wrathful strikes out blindly at whatever frustrates him. There is twisting of love; there is also, as we shall see, too much love for the wrong object—love excessive; and, strangely enough, there is love defective: the final carelessness, or *acedia*

Hanging by Your Toes

The word "acedia" is sometimes translated sloth. This is unfortunate, for it suggests to the modern energetic Westerner the perfect jewel of relaxation, the Three-toed Sloth, genus *Bradypus,* a slow-moving and toothless tree-dweller who can hang by his claws for days without worrying about anything. To the racing executive, hurrying to his psychiatrist or his heart specialist, the sloth has thus become a symbolic animal much like the ox or ass of antiquity. But whereas the ass and the ox suggested patient labor, the sloth suggests relaxation: that wonderful impossible state in which all tension falls away and you feel once more like a bathed and drowsy baby.

But *acedia* is not such relaxation or inactivity; it is not the lazily drifting flat-bottom whispering in the lake weeds or even the Lotus Eaters fleeting the time. It is something much more harsh and bitter. For the fisherman, who may neglect his duties for the sake of the taut line and the freshly painted lure, at least loves something. But the slothful loves nothing. He is a no-care, waving away existence with a gesture of the hand; he is the Bored.

The Deadly Sin of Boredom

The symbol of Sloth to the 16th-century Protestant was often the Roman religious: the monk or the friar. Luther never tires of telling us what a menace to industry and thrift and godliness the monasteries were, and Edmund Spenser thus describes Idleness, or Sloth:

> *Upon a slouthful Asse he chose to ryde,*
> *Arayd in habit blacke, and amis thin,*
> *Like to a holy Monck, the service to begin.*

The 15th and 16th centuries were enormously energetic —the morning hours of modern capitalistic enterprise. But athwart the rising river of commerce lay the church with its great holdings—a largely unproductive ness" with thousands of able-bodied men who contri little or nothing to the new age. By idleness and be they seemed to strangle the new economic impuls

But whatever the economics of the situation, it be wrong to identify the idleness or even the beggi the monks with the sin of Sloth. If they were slo it was not because they mumbled their offices or in the sun. It was because they were bored. And fo medieval monks and twentieth-century seculars bor is the father of a host of sins.

This is so because boredom is a charge levelled a that his universe is not interesting. In Hell, Dante the bored snuffling in murky settings. On earth people had been "sad" in "the sweet light made some by the sun." Their punishment is to be bore ever.

It is possible to detect under the fever of activity i own world the same rejection of the marvel of life toxin of boredom may be seen in our frenzy amused, to escape, to forget. The bored worker, the but bored housewife, the bored bureaucrat writin the millionth time the same whining or accusing to a faceless citizen—all of these are mired dow *acedia,* the final carelessness. And the drink, the and the dreary transgression into which so many are the tattered white flags of boredom—the evidenc the game is up and that there is now nothing left to or to care about, nothing "remarkable beneath the ing moon."

Wreck Here njures Two"

It was just another accident—
to everyone except those involved
and to the mothers who wait
in fear for the next one.

By Dorothy Noyce

deceptively peaceful, this neighborhood of ours. lawns stretch broad and green out to the narrow s, and far above the neat houses the pine scrags ently. It is a place of bird song and beauty and quiet ost of the time.

was ten minutes to six last night and I had just ed to feed the baby when it happened. We felt rather heard the impact, and for an instant I thought some- had exploded in the street. Then I recognized the ized grinding of an engine gone wild. The older lren and I rushed to the window in time to see a Chevrolet, its gaping hood spouting fire, careen nd the stop sign, jump the ditch, arch back across treet and plow through another ditch, to come to a finally just 20 feet inside our front yard.

o driver was visible. Up on the through street the of the other car had swung open and a man hung his face looking as if it had been dipped into a et of red paint.

My word, another accident!" The phrase spun dumbly and over as I ran to telephone the police. By the I reached our lawn someone had lifted the driver of the smoking wreck where she had been trapped n her foot caught. Still conscious, she lay gray and thick blood oozing from her nose, one leg at an twisted angle beneath the topcoat that had been wn over her until blankets could be brought. Across street the other driver had somehow gotten to his feet stood holding his shredded scalp in place with both ds as the blood dripped out of the car and onto pavement. The police the ambulance were prompt. . . .

Wreck Here Injures o" says the morning pa- A newspaper can wrap event up neatly in crisp, n words. But I can tell the rest of the story— telescoped front end of car, the shoes left empty the impact, the teeth spit out into the street, the gore-soaked dish towels still lying out there in the gutter this morning among the steel splinters and the ripped bolts.

And yet my prayers last night were of thanksgiving. If the accident had occurred half an hour earlier our yard, churned and rutted by that berserk Chevrolet, would have been full of little children.

Our neighborhood is peaceful again this morning. So peaceful that it may hardly seem necessary to stop at that intersection. Yet already today I have heard the scream of rubber that means someone driving too fast or being too careless has had another near miss. And I know that three other corner dwellers shared my sudden tenseness, my sudden thought, *Where are the children?*—as they waited for the crash which did not follow—this time.

Four times in the last three years collisions have ended on our lawns; the broad, green lawns that look so safe and calm. No one would expect to find death here. Yet every time we hear the screech of brakes we wonder how long Fate can continue to wink.

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BOOKS *in Review...*

Life in a Parsonage

SEVEN, EIGHT—SHUT THE GATE. Lucy Reissig Schenck, Greenwick Book Publishers, 86 pages, $2.50.

This book gets its title from the nursery rhyme. The author says: "It seemed easier to teach Freddie how to count us on his little fingers with the familiar nursery rhyme beginning with 'One, two, button my shoe,' right through to 'Seven, eight—shut the gate.' "

Not only are 6 daughters and 2 sons told about, but also the father, a German Lutheran minister, with unique ideas of developing a wonderful home life. There is also Mama, a patient, most versatile mistress of a parsonage.

Except for the last chapter, the setting is New York and the concentration is on the early days of the Reissig family before its members were separated by some going to college and others to establish homes of their own.

There are many nostalgic stories being written about the days of yesteryear. Even though each is a contribution in preserving a way of life that has disappeared forever, there is much difference in the way such material is written. In this category of books, seldom does one come across a more charming, warm, friendly, kindly, and humorous story than this one.

INEZ STEEN
Madison, Wis.

Vicar's Son Tells All

WAYWARD VICARAGE. Anthony Brode, J. B. Lippincott Co., 190 pages, $3.95.

No doubt about it, Anthony Brode has a vivid imagination and he gives it a real workout in this charmingly ridiculous chronicle of his own early life in a rural English parish. The entertaining and unusual situations of which he writes just couldn't all have happened in one family—even that of a somewhat eccentric country parson.

Nevertheless, whether this story is unvarnished truth or slightly rearranged and exaggerated fact, it is a most amusing story of a pastor's family where most unexpected and unorthodox events seem always to be happening.

This would make a fine gift for a pastor, who must occasionally do some light reading too. The humor is typically British, but most refreshing. There is gentle satire, outlandish caricature, and a pungent wit that will delight any reader.

The author, a son of a rural vicar, is a well known English journalist whose parodies and satirical verse have appeared in *Punch* and other periodicals. Of this present volume, he says, "A minister's congregation seldom realizes that the harmony of his church appearances may be counterbalanced by an offbeat rhythm in the pattern of his domestic life. My father was not an eccentric but had a tendency to become deeply involved in unlikely events."

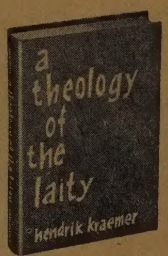
It is very likely that this book will be enjoyed.

LILY M. GYLDENVAND
Minneapolis, Minn.

The Laity Defined

A THEOLOGY OF THE LAITY. Hendrik Kraemer, Westminster Press, 192 pages, $3.00.

This is an exciting theological study, intensely relevant to the condition of our "affluent society" where church membership is generally regarded as a Good Thing along with membership in Rotary, the Garden Club, Gamma Beta Alpha, the Boy Scouts, and



everything else. More particularly it is a vigorous testimony in behalf of a movement of recovery that is touching Lutheran, Reformed, and Roman Catholic communions alike—a recovery of the Church (to take Kraemer's quotation from Edmund Schlink) "as the people of God called out from the world through Christ; the Church as the prophetic, priestly, royal people sent forth into the world by Christ."

More explicitly it is an effort to overcome the distinction between the laity (or "plebs") and the ministry, a distinction which has riven the Church since early times and which tends to be accentuated by the continuing (and necessary) discussion of "the marks of the Church" in ecumenical discussions.

The centrality of Word and Sacrament is insisted upon and the importance of present-day concern for the doctrine of the ministry is granted, but the author pleads nevertheless for an undertsanding of the whole Church as the *laos,* the people of God. He d see the laity as merely recipi sacraments, preaching, and ministeria The book might well be considered mentary on the classic passage in I Pe (". . . you are a chosen race, a royal hood, a holy nation, God's own people or on Romans 14:8 ("We are the whether we live or die."). More t seems to realize therefore, Dr. Kraemer the objectives of the liturgical moveme

Professor Kraemer is certainly rig "the modern world, by its victorious s ism, has domesticated the Church 'reservation' for people with 'religious' and the Church has largely accepte domestication." Yet he is grateful t secularism for bringing the Church from historically-grown positions to i damental realities." And we, in turn, grateful to him for his demand tha clergy, and theologians reconsider the and vocation "under the light of tha found, revolutionary word: *diakonia* His book merits concern and debate parish, home, or person that responds lical and theological grounds of thoug action may find this work a stirring ence and a momentous point of depar

SYDNEY E. AHLSTRO
New Haven, Conn.

Acres of Diamonds

SPLENDOR WHERE YOU ARE. Idle Johnson, Zondervan, 88 $2.00.

Readers who are familiar with Ralph Emerson's meaningful and unforg poem, *A Sky Born Music,* will remem as I did, when reading *Splendor Wher Are,* a collection of spirit-uplifting Phyllis Idle Johnson has discovered, many folk fail to do, that splendor c found anywhere, and under all circumst by him who lets faith steer the wheel

There is no extraordinary, classi poetry in *Splendor Where You Are*—bu a lyrical, well-written volume that is to bring uplift and courage to those for "time has turned to weariness," to those need answers to plague-filled quests c mind, to those whose days have lost songs, and to those who need a "retreat the noise and clamor of the street."

I especially recommend this volume suitable gift for the ill, the bed-ridden the discouraged. Its pages are tonic-filled

GERTRUDE HANSON
Excelsior, Minn.

ation Under God

ENTRAL THEME OF AMERICAN LIFE. Tim J. Campbell. Eerdmans, 174 pages, $3.50.

his interesting and informative book hor has sought to show that Chris- more than any other influence, has the constitution and every fiber of in our great country. Historical quo- are given throughout to substantiate uence which the Christ has had in our history and that it has been the guid- nciple of her greatest men.

he closing chapters of his book the shows how important it is that Ameri- igious heritage be preserved, strength- nd carried forward.

ould highy recommend this book for brary.

ERNEST N. NELSON
La Crosse, Wis.

ing Children Sing

ORGANIZING AND DIRECTING CHILDREN'S CHOIRS. Madeline D. Ingram, Abing- don Press, 160 pages, $2.50.

ave often been asked, 'How do you he children interested in coming Sunday Sunday when they almost never sing them alone?' My only answer is that I emphasize the importance of leadership ship more than simply singing anthems

this emphasis alone, every director of ior choir should read Mrs. Ingram's In a day when junior choirs are largely t of in terms of singing an "extra n" once a month, or appearing only on al occasions," we need more reminders his of the true place of choirs in our ip. Statements like, "They should be in every Sunday to learn to be a part of ervice" emerge as undisputable truths the chapter on "The Junior Choir."

this is not the only asset of the book. ounds in excellent illustrations and sug- ns from a wealth of experience in work- with children and children's voices—the of sharing from which even the most director should be able to draw richly. concept of vocal tone ("sometimes the pure tone carries best") is excellent, and ld be studied carefully by all who are ed to substitute quantity for quality in egard.

one thing Mrs. Ingram does not con- us—that her high goals and ideals are able through an ordinary multiple choir am. Her limited approach to the history e junior choir ("the movement actually d over sixty years ago" . . . "The ch has always been an educative force, gh not always an educative force in c") completely overlooks sixteen centuries of junior choir schools which had largely the same goals she is stressing. Her suggestions for repertoire, especially in the early grades, could also profit from a more comprehensive historical approach.

It would seem to this reviewer that Mrs. Ingram's book, coupled with Linden Lundstrom's THE CHOIR SCHOOL, should make an excellent cornerstone for the library of every director of a children's choir.

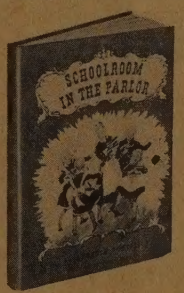
RONALD A. NELSON
Minneapolis, Minn.

Mother Taught Them

SCHOOLROOM IN THE PARLOR. Rebecca Caudill, Winston Co., 117 pages. $2.95.

This is a brand new "Bonnie Book" about the same family that Rebecca Caudill has made alive for her readers in other delightful stories.

The theme of this book is taken from the author's own childhood. With her many brothers and sisters she actually went to a one-room school house for 3 or 4 months until



the snows came, and then the Caudill children were taught at home by the mother or oldest sister, just like the children in *Schoolroom in the Parlor.*

The long cold winter on the farm is full of happy times, made so by the love and kindness which is evidenced in daily living. While the five children are snowed in for the winter months they learn more than just their daily lessons. The reader is delighted with "great thoughts" that are memorized, books that are enjoyed together, Indian stories told by each one, a goose that is tamed.

Naturally this book is for young readers, but adults will enjoy it with them, especially reading it aloud.

KATHRYN K. HAUGAN
Minneapolis, Minn.

Practicing God's Presence

GOD IN US. Miles Lowell Yates, Seabury Press, 206 pages, $4.25.

This is a book on the theory and practice of Christian devotion, or "the dedicated all-round enterprise for furthering a unitive relationship with God." While agreeing that God ultimately supplies the initiative in all things spiritual, the author sees this unitive relationship as being achieved through a regimen by which the soul is "trained" to seek and commune with God.

This is not a book for casual reading. It requires concentration, but will reward the reader for his efforts. It is definitely a book for the mature Christian, who will find here not an emotional or "inspirational," but rather an analytic approach to the soul's inner life with God.

ARNOLD W. NELSON
Milwaukee, Wis.

Source of Apostolic Power

PRAYER IS THE SECRET. R. E. O. White, Harper, 143 pages, $2.75.

A Baptist minister from England has written this Bible study organized around the theme of prayer. His experience as lecturer in Greek New Testament literature and exegesis accounts for his scholarly approach. Yet he balances this study with practical illustrations drawn from his own parish experience.

In dealing with such intricate topics as the relation of prayer and faith to health, he shows good judgment and an evangelical attitude. His chapter on prayer as "The Secret of Physical Recovery" would be equally helpful to a medical specialist and a Christian layman with little formal education.

Basically, this book deals with the understanding of prayer in Apostolic times, and the numerous footnotes are almost all references to *Acts* or the *Epistles*. "What prayer meant to New Testament Christians and what it can mean to us today."

This reviewer would consider the twelve brief and self-contained chapters an excellent textbook for a quarter term in an adult Bible Class.

DAVID BELGUM
Minneapolis, Minn.

The Soul's Sincere Desire

POWER THROUGH PRAYER. Ronald W. Goetsch, Concordia, 145 pages, $2.50.

This book differs from most such books on prayer in that the author is apparently not disturbed by the objections of those who deny the validity of prayer. He takes up scientific, philosophic, experimental, and other human difficulties to faith in and use of prayer, presents these objections in their clearest form, and answers them courteously but with finality from Bible facts.

The author finds in God's ordinance of prayer the desire of God to commune with man, the hunger of man's soul for God, the nature of prayer, and its guarantee of being heard and answered.

The book throughout is sound, Christian, Bible-centered, and authoritative. It is an outstanding contribution, in a small, attractive package, to the literature on prayer.

R. D. BRANDT
Aberdeen, Wash.

For the Family Altar

J. R. Hes

Toward the Tenth Sunday After Trinity *A*

I Corinthians 12:2-11 • The Gospel: Luke 19:41-48

Monday, July 27

GOD'S MAP

Acts 11:19

Now those who were scattered because of the persecution of Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch.

It is a well known truth that persecution and hardship serve to strengthen the church. The death of Stephen at the hands of his persecutors was a hard blow to the early believers, but in addition to being a great witness to the faith it served to spread the church into new areas. Those who fled from Jerusalem were not running for their lives; they were safeguarding the stewardship of the Gospel. God was enlarging His map. Other sheep He had who were not yet of the fold. These also He would bring.

Give us a part of Your mind, Heavenly Father, that we may think in large terms. With You there is ever an Antioch, a place not yet reached, a kingdom not yet won. Rescue us from being contented with the place where we stand, to the extent that we exclude the needs of the unreached and the lost. Amen.

Tuesday, July 28

THE HELPING HAND

Acts 11:21

And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number that believed turned to the Lord.

"Most unlikely; highly improbable," would be the reaction of many if told that a group of consecrated Christians moved to a pagan city, and met with success. But that is what happened in Antioch. These who were "spread because of the persecution" preached the Lord Jesus. The power within the movement, of course, was the Lord. "The hand of the Lord was with them." He was keeping the promise He had made, and both Jews and Gentiles were being reached with the Gospel.

Is it in our nature, dear God, to shrink back from what we are bound to call "impossible." But it is in the nature of faith You have given us to trust Your promises to bless, enlarge, prosper the work that is done in Your Name. Increase our faith that we may increase in mission interest. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

Wednesday, July 29

"CHRISTIANS"

Acts 11:26

And in Antioch the disciples w called Christians.

Whether the followers of Ch Antioch were called "Christians" sarcasm, we do not know. But know that theirs was the honor having this description applied to For them it had real meaning; the by it through ridicule and perse they owned the name because the possessed by the truth, and they w plemented by the Holy Spirit; they the name by displaying an obedie the Gospel's compelling force. The in all truth Christians.

Almost anyone can wear that today, O Lord. We even divide ou —"Christians, Jews, Mohammedans settle down very comfortably in the category—"Christian." Make me am not merely wearing a tag! Only and trust in my Savior, only ob to His will makes me a Christian.

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Thursday, July 30

ONE MARK

Acts 11:29

And the disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brethren who lived in Judea.

News came to the Christians at Antioch that the brethren in Judea were undergoing the hardship of famine. In response to this they determined to send relief to them. This was a tangible sign of their concern. There is no question but that they expressed concern orally, and even prayed for the brethren. But they showed their true concern by taking the practical action necessary. It is easy to say a prayer; but it takes sincerity to implement the prayer.

Here, O Christ, is the mark, one of the marks of true Christianity, that I care, and care enough to rise up and do what I can to bring relief, mercy, and help. Give to me a heart for all people, and a hand willing to serve where there is need. In Your Name. Amen.

Friday, July 31

MISSION BASE

Acts 13:3

Then after fasting and prayer they laid their hands on them and sent them off.

"Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." This was the instruction of the Holy Spirit to the Christians in Antioch. And in complying with this they caused their church to be the mission base, the first center of organized effort to Christianize the world. This was another true sign of the Christian Church. They were not permitting themselves to bog down on Antioch only; they permitted the Holy Spirit to give them the wide vision necessary to the propagation of the Gospel.

Here, Blessed Jesus, is ever the distinctive mark of the true Church; the concern for the unsaved; the zeal to send workers forth into the vineyard. Bring life to each congregation by giving it a concern for those who know not life in You. In the Name of the Compassionate. Amen.

Saturday, August 1

GO FORWARD!

Acts 15:1

But some men came down from and were teaching the brethren, " you are circumcised according to th tom of Moses. . . ."

Enter the villian! The Church i tioch of Syria was prospering. It h heart of charity and the zeal of mis The Holy Spirit was in it and the knew the joy of salvation by fa Christ. Then the questioners, the de the holders-to-the-Law of Moses a They were men of the old order, sti der the Old Covenant to whom meant all and Christ nothing at all. was now a crises, but Christianity w

The arrows of the Kingdom point stantly forward, gracious Jesus. shall we look back; never shall u back to the former things, the old the old sins, the old patterns. Set f Christ, keep us free to go forward i and mercy and service. Having heard Truth, arm us with strength fo march. Amen.

ch Refugee Year

resentatives of some 40 religious other non-governmental groups are members of the American cil of Voluntary Agencies for For- Service joined in New York City inching the World Refugee Year s country.

testant, Roman Catholic, and n leaders were among more than ersons attending a luncheon which ed the council's 16th anniversary ccessful co-operation in behalf of ns of refugees.

gr. Edward E. Swanstrom of New told the guests that the council esents the pluralism of American y—a pluralism that is ethnic, re- s and cultural." He is executive or of Catholic Relief Services-Na- l Catholic Welfare Conference, the Council's chairman.

e CRS director warned that since causes that have moved men to heir homeland have not been re- d, we cannot expect to resolve all roblems of the world's millions fugees within the framework of World Refugee Year." He was of opinion, however, that certain ts might be reached—such as help- tateless persons resettle and acquire nship, and getting countries to re- estrictive immigration laws to ad- "hard-core" or physically disabled time residents of displaced persons ns.

an Francis B. Sayre, Jr., of Wash- n Cathedral (Episcopal) lauded gees as assets to countries receiving . They represent he said, "the best ng their countrymen for they risked ships and even death to live as free ." Dean Sayre is chairman of the Committee for Refugees, organ- to promote the World Refugee r.

ean Sayre decried fears, which he are expressed by some people, that gees are a "threat" to American loyment and standard of living.

We dare not fail the refugee," he ared. "In the first place we care for him because we are our brother's keeper. However, let us not forget that refugees are not only the result—but the cause of wars and revolutions. There are dangers of military and economic consequences if we do not fulfill our duty to them."

He urged that those responsible for explaining the WRY to the public throw aside all "professional jargon" and speak from the heart, clearly, simply and directly.

Delivering the keynote address, Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (D.-Minn.) called for a WRY appeal that would be personal rather than organizational. "Let us be sensitive to the needs and wants of people—it takes individuals to help individuals," he said.

"The average citizen of our country will only respond to the WRY if he understands what it is all about," he warned.

Sen. Humphrey was sharply critical of the $4,000,000 "token grant" by the United States for the WRY, deeming it "inadequate for a great country which says it leads the free world."

Brides Getting Younger

Nearly half of this country's brides in 1958 were teen-aged girls, the Population Reference Bureau, a private research agency, reports.

Emphasizing the trend toward younger marriage, which is coupled with a rising birth rate, the research organization said the average age of marriage in the United States is now the lowest of any industrialized society and is nearer the levels traditional in Asia than the pattern of European society.

Last year 45 per cent of brides marrying for the first time and 13 per cent of the grooms were less than 20 years old at the time of their nuptials, the report disclosed.

Nearly 25 per cent of all marriages contracted in America last year were remarriages. One out of every 20 divorced women remarrying was a teenage girl.

The average age for first-time marriages in the country last year was 23 for men and only 20 for women.

QUARTET TOURS U. S. CHURCHES—The Ambassadors quartet, believed to be the first Methodist musical group from Africa to visit the U. S., is on a 10-month goodwill tour that will bring folk music and hymns of their homeland to 29 states and the nation's capital. Three of the young men are mission teachers and one is a seminary student. —RNS Photo

Jordan Lutherans Recognized

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan has been granted state recognition as one of the "non-Mohammedan religious communities" of this country.

Formed last year as an autonomous body, the 1,300-member Evangelical Lutheran Church originated from German mission work begun in Palestine about 100 years ago. It has congregations at Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Beit Jala, Beit Sahur, and Ramallah.

Other Christian bodies, recognized by the Jordan government are the Anglican, Roman Catholic, and Orthodox Churches. The Orthodox groups include Greek, Syrian, Egyptian, Armenian and Russian branches. The total Christian population is estimated at about 12 per cent of the 1,500,000 Jordanians, who are predominantly Moslem.

Missouri Agrees to Unity Talks with The ALC

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod has authorized unity talks with the new American Lutheran Church, to be created through merger in 1960.

Objective of the doctrinal discussions would be to seek a "God-pleasing unity and fellowship," it was explained in a resolution adopted unanimously by the Missouri Synod's triennial convention.

Also invited to join the discussions were the sister synods of the Missouri Synod in the Lutheran Synodical Conference of North America—the Wisconsin, Slovak and Evangelical Synods.

Apparently excluded from the invitation are four other Lutheran bodies who also are negotiating a merger—the United Lutheran Church in America, the Augustana Lutheran Church, the Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Church and the American Evangelical Lutheran Church.

The Missouri Synod carried on doctrinal discussions for several years with the present American Lutheran Church. An agreement with the ALC, called "The Common Confession," was adopted by the Missouri Synod in 1950. Because of opposition to the agreement from the Wisconsin and Norwegian (now Evangelical) synods and from some Missouri Synod members, a supplement known as "Part II" also was negotiated.

However, because of the merger negotiations of the ALC with the ELC and the UELC, the "Common Confessions" was held by the 1956 convention of the Missouri Synod not to be a functioning document and no fellowship was established with the ALC.

In another action, the Missouri Synod also decided to send observers to the 1961 assembly of the World Council of Churches in Ceylon and to future meetings of the Lutheran World Federation and the National Association of Evangelicals. The Missouri Synod belongs to none of these groups, but a resolution said "experience has shown that our presence at such meetings is of value to us in keeping informed on the church world."

The Synod deferred action question of whether to join the l al Lutheran Council until its d unity committee completes a st the council. Earlier, it took sim tion regarding the Lutheran Federation.

Suomi Accepts Integration

In an informal vote, the F Evangelical Lutheran Church (Synod) at its 70th annual conv expressed its preference for co unity with three other merging L an bodies rather than retaining it tity as a separate synod in the denomination.

However, formal final action merger will not be taken by the until the 1960 convention whe new Church's constitution will b mitted for ratification.

Washington News Notes

Printer's Error Changes Gist of ALC Testimony—Dr. Carl F. Reu who is executive secretary of the ALC's Board for Christian Social Acti recently testified before a Congressional Subcommittee investigating obsce matter which is sent through the mails. Dr. Reuss was keenly aware of t importance of the hearings, for his board had ten days earlier approved statement entitled "The Church Looks at Immorality in Print and on t Screen."

The Congressmen and women applauded Dr. Reuss for sharing th statement with them and asked that it be entered into the official proce ings of the hearing. However they were somewhat shocked and red-fac when the transcript came back from the printers with the word *immortal* substituted for *immorality* in the title of the document.

The ALC statement is intended especially for use by pastors, chur councilmen, women's societies, youth groups, and men's organizatio within the Church. The Social Action Board is using it as a means f stimulating thinking, promoting discussion, and guiding action amo Church's members.

Discomfort: Good or Bad?—Editorial pages in Washington papers a carrying on a relentless attack against the U. S. Weather Bureau's "Di comfort Index." (This is a composite figure which takes into accou heat, humidity, and related factors.) The unpleasing name stirred Senat Warren G. Magnuson (D., Wash.) to suggest to Weather Bureau Chi Dr. F. W. Reichelder: "Why don't you get a big dictionary and find a other word?"

Senator Magnuson, who is a member of Immanuel Lutheran Churc (ELC) in Seattle, Washington, tempered his remarks when he said, "Stil I guess a lot depends on what you're selling. A fellow selling beer migh like a prediction for a nice high discomfort index."

Other Congressmen from tourist states are putting additional pressure o the Bureau to study the matter carefully to see whether some different nam can be devised.

By Robert Van Deusen and Charles De Vries

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Plans Four ects for WRY

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plans, the federation's WRY pro-
calls for the temporary enlarge-
of existing DWS service to ref-
, rather than the initiation of
undertakings.

Nurses' Retreat

Lutheran Nurses Guild, Inc., will hold its first week-long retreat for Bible study and leadership training at Lutherhaven Bible Camp, La Crosse, Wis., August 24-31. Speakers who will develop the theme "On Duty—Victoriously" include the Rev. A. H. Mjorud, evangelist; Esther Onstad, instructor at LBI, Teaneck, N. J.; and Ruth Boomhower, missionary to Tanganyika. The retreat is open to others interested as well as nurses.

40 Lutheran Laymen Study Theology

The Evangelical Lutheran Church believes it has evidence that laymen are interested in studying theology and church doctrine.

Some 40 laymen and women—most employed full-time in local congregations and in various church-related activities—were enrolled in the ELC's Christian Service Institute, in its fifth season at Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul, Minn.

Included in this year's class—a six week's course which began June 8 and continued through July 17—were parish workers, college and university counsellors, social workers, lay assistants in congregations, and staff workers from various departments at ELC headquarters in Minneapolis.

Subject matter included study of the Bible (Old and New Testaments), Lutheran doctrine and theology, Christian anthropology, Christian ethics, and the organization and work of the ELC.

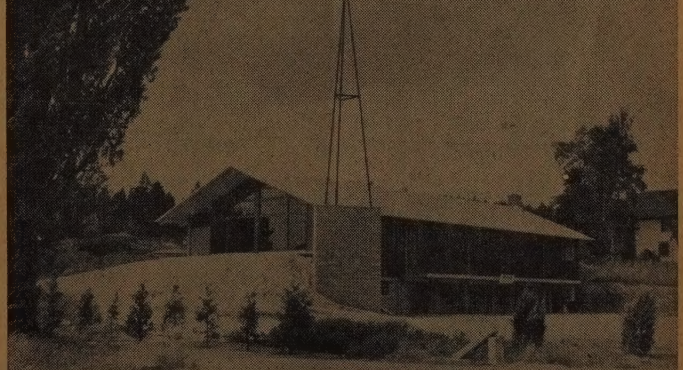
Director of the Institute was Dr. William H. K. Narum, philosophy professor at St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn. Other faculty members, all from Luther Seminary, were Dr. Gerhard Frost, Dr. Herman A. Preus, Dr. Alvin N. Rogness, and Dr. John V. Halvorson.

Obituaries

The Rev. Rudolph A. Ofstedal died in Seattle, Wash., on June 29, the anniversary of his ordination 35 years ago. He had suffered from a heart ailment for the past few months.

Pastor Ofstedal was born at Moorhead, Minnesota, on March 19, 1897. He was graduated from Luther College, Decorah, Iowa, and Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minn. Ordained in 1924, he served pastorates at Edmore, N. Dak., 1924-30; Valley City, N. Dak., 1930-41; Phinney Ridge Church, Seattle, Wash., 1941-47; First Church, Decorah, Iowa, 1947-57; Immanuel Church, Seattle, Wash., 1957-59.

During his thirty-five years in the



NEW WASHINGTON CHURCH—This new $75,000 ELC church in Silverdale, Wash., was dedicated recently by Dr. H. L. Foss, president of the Pacific district. Dr. Philip S. Dybvig, executive director of home missions of the ELC, was the speaker at dedication festivities. Seating about 400 persons, the new structure is the second church building in the history of this 10-year-old congregation. The present membership of Silverdale Church is 600. The Rev. C. K. Randoy is pastor.

active ministry Pastor Ofstedal was an aggressive leader in the ELC. He was a leader in Bible Camp work in the North Dakota district. He was a member of the Board of Trustees and the Board of Publications of the ELC for twelve years. During more recent years he has been a member of the Joint Union Committee, a position which he held at the time of his death. Earlier in his ministry he served on the Board of Charities of the Church, and also on the Board of Pacific Lutheran College.

Funeral services were held at Immanual Church, Seattle, on July 3, conducted by Dr. H. L. Foss, president of the Pacific District of the ELC. Pastors of the Seattle Circuit of the ELC served as honorary pallbearers.

Pastor Ofstedal is survived by his wife, the former Edith Estrem, to whom he was married in 1924; five daughters, Mrs. E. Harold Hauge, Hines, Ore.; Mrs. John Helms and Miss Stephanie, both of Decorah, Iowa; Mrs. Arne Strandjord, Mount Vernon, Wash.; and Mrs. Dean Aschim, Des Moines, Iowa; and one son, the Rev. Paul E. Ofstedal, Park Falls, Wis. Burial was at Seattle, Wash.

A scholarship is being established at Luther College in Pastor Ofstedal's memory through contributions by friends and associates.

Mrs. Sharonne Dahl, wife of the Rev. Wendell Dahl, died in Minneapolis June 9 at the age of 27 after a lingering illness. Pastor Dahl is the associate pastor at Our Redeemer Church in Minneapolis, Minn. Mrs. Dahl was born February 8, 1932, in Sioux Falls, S. Dak. She was a graduate of Augustana College, Sioux Falls, and was a teacher in the Robbinsdale, Minnesota school system. Funeral services were held at First Lutheran Church, Sioux Falls, with Dr. Alvin Rogness and the Rev. Robert Borgwardt officiating. Suvivors include her husband and infant daughter, Kirstin.

Want Ads

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For sale: Bronze church bell in excellent condition. 28-inch base. Can be seen at Garvin Lutheran Church, Garvin, Minn.

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For sale: One Hammond electric 2-manual organ, 10 yrs. old, excellent condition, $1750. One white altar trimmed in gold, statue and hangings, with font and pulpit to match. Contact Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Chokio, Minnesota.

Parish Conservation Service

The merits of the propositions advertised below have not been investigated and the Parish Conservation Service assumes no responsibility in the matter. Send your ads and communications to: The Parish Conservation Service of The ELC, 422 South Fifth Street, Minneapolis 15, Minnesota. (Refer to ad number when inquiring.)

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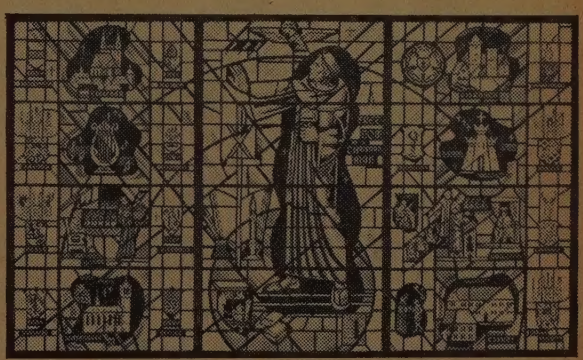

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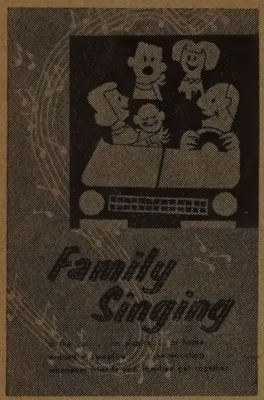

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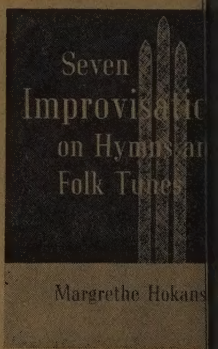

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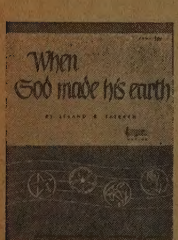

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